# VIRGINIA STANDARDS OF LEARNING ASSESSMENTS

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# SELECTED ITEMS FOR WORLD HISTORY I

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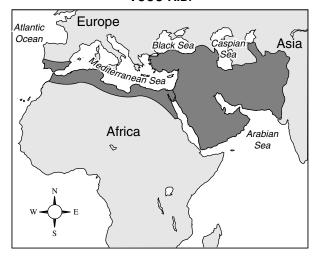
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#### **DIRECTIONS**

Read each question and choose the best answer.

1

#### 1000 A.D.



The darker shaded area on the map shows the distribution of which *major* religion in 1000 A.D.?

- A Buddhism
- **B** Judaism
- C Hinduism
- **D** Islam
- 2 Which of the following geographic conditions was *most* important to the development of early Egyptian civilization?
  - F Access to the Mediterranean Sea
  - G Protection by the Libyan Desert
  - H Location in the Nile River Valley
  - J Moderate climate

3



The style of building in the picture is *most* closely associated with —

- A ancient Greece
- B ancient Rome
- c the Byzantine Empire
- **D** the Ming Dynasty

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#### Holy Books



Koran (Qur'an) New Testament

The religion *most* closely associated with Book 2 is —

- F Islam
- G Judaism
- **H** Christianity
- J Taoism

- 5
- Believe and repeat the Creed
- Pray five times a day, facing Mecca
- Give alms to the poor
- Fast during the holy month of Ramadan
- Make a pilgrimage to Mecca

### This religion was based on the teachings of —

- A Moses
- **B** Jesus
- **C** Muhammad
- D Siddhartha
- 6 Which ancient Greek figure is *most* closely associated with science?
  - F Plato
  - G Socrates
  - **H** Homer
  - J Archimedes

- 7 The Greek word polis refers to
  - A written law
  - B city-state
  - C aristocracy
  - **D** standing army
- 8 After the Persian Wars, the Greeks formed a defensive alliance called the
  - F Delian League
  - G Legion
  - **H** Centuriate Assembly
  - J Triumvirate
  - Abraham was the founder.
    - · Moses led them out of Egypt.
    - · Saul, David, and Solomon were kings.

## Which ancient civilization is described by these statements?

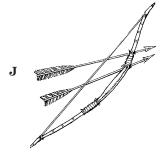
- A Egyptian
- **B** Babylonian
- **C** Persian
- **D** Hebrew

# 10 Which of these tools from the Old Stone Age probably developed *first?*









#### **Answer Key**

Test Sequence	Correct Answer
1	D
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3	C
4	F
5	C
6	J
7	В
8	F
9	D
10	G